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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated July 26, 2011, concerning the above-referenced patent application. Applicant is paying a three-month extension of time fee to make this response timely filed by **January 26, 2012**.

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